Means of Abating It.

MANUFACTURERS ON THE STAND

The Committee's Funds Believed

to Be Getting Low.

THEIR WORK IS EXPENSIVE

NEW YORK, November 27.-The assem

bly investigating committee, commonly

termed the Mazet committee, which ad-

journed just before election, resumed its

hearings today. Unless there is some de-

viation from the program announced the

committee will sit today, tomorrow and

Wednesday and then adjourn until Mon-

When the committee was first appointed

\$25,000 was appropriated for its expenses

and later a like sum was given to them.

At least \$50,000 has already been spent, and

be obtained from the legislature. The

words, and its cost will be about \$16,000.

The printing of the report will cost at least

Counsel Reticent as to Plans.

ommittee has more questions to ask the

it is known that the district attorney, as

well as several of the clerks of general

sessions, have been subpoenaed. It is ex-pected that Col. Gardiner will be the star witness. Mr. Moss' detectives claimed to

withess. Mr. Moss detectives claimed to have served him with a subpoena calling him to testify today. Col. Gardiner, however, had declared the service illegal, because it was made on a half holiday and has expressed his intention to pay no attention to it.

Only three members of the committee

Mr. Moss read a number of the certificates of expenses of the various judicial candidates in the last election. Everybody smiled, including Mr. Mazet, when Mr. Moss read that a special contribution by Abner C. Thomas was for use in the nineteenth assembly district—Mr. Mazet's.

President Murphy of the health board.

President Murphy of the health board, who had been subpoented, sent a note ex-plaining that he had to preside at a meet-

Ing to discuss the action of the department in reference to the J. W. Taylor, the ship on which the bubonle plague was discov-ered, and that he could not attend this

norning, but would be ready at any other

Investigating Smoke Vuisances.

board ceased. No testimony was elicited

to show that the health board inspector

British Ambassador's Announcement as to

South Africa.

Supplies-No Word From

Macrum.

The British ambassador, Lord Paunce

ote, has informed the Secretary of State

hat, in view of a doubt which appeared to

exist whether her majesty's government

recognize that the hostilities now in course

of progress in South Africa, constitute a

state of war between Great Britain and the

two South African republics, he has been di-

rected by the Marquis of Salisbury to inform

the Secretary of State, as an act of cour-

esy, that the South African republic and

he Orange Free State, having declared

war against her majesty, the queen, and

having invaded the British colonies of the

Cape and Natal, a state of war has actual-

ly existed since the 11th of October be-

tween England and the South African republic and the Orange Free State.

Effect of the Notice.

This notice appears to be couched in

terms similar to those addressed by the

continental Europe. It will probably not

naterially affect the United States, except

to enable the government to deal vigorous-

ly with any persons who attempt to recruit

in the United States for either of the par-

ties to the war, Boer or British. So far as

is concerned, citizens of the United States

are at perfect liberty to make such sale of

anything less than warships. Of course, the goods sold, if contraband, would be

subject to seizure, but this liability wou

only operate as against the Boers at this stage, for they have no navy wherewith to

stage, for they have no havy wherewith to make seizures of supplies shipped to the British in South Africa or elsewhere. Of course, that condition might be changed in the event that the South African repub-

lies should undertake to issue letters of marque to adventurous saflors of other na-

No Word From Consul Macrum.

Nothing has been heard from Mr. Ma-

rum recently respecting the measure of

success attending his efforts to care for

he British interests in the two Dutch re-

publics which were confided to him. Com-munication, though difficult and slow, is still possible between Bretoria and the out-

side world, and the fact that Mr. Macrum

has not responded to his last instructions

is taken as an indication that he has not

attained definite results, one way or the other, from his representations to President

Treatment of the British.

The British authorities have also submit-

representations bring, out the well-estab-

lished procedure in time of war, particu-

war, when prisoners on each side were ac-

corded not only bodily protection by their

captors, but also were allowed to receive

letters, subject to surveillance, and money

Acts of personal cruelty are not charged.

tions.

Kruger.

British government to the governments of

had exacted money from the witnesses.

ime the committee might fix.

present when order was called-t, Mr. Costello and Mr. Hoffman.

is not considered takely that more can

day of next week. Of their further pro-

ceedings there are conflicting reports.

of polygamy is one that can exist consist tally with our universal idea of the true cory of a republican government. No-

has pretended such a thing. "The committee on the judiciary recognize to the fullest extent all that has been said touching the right of every man and every woman to believe precisely what he or she likes. He may be an infidel and believe in nothing; he may be of any sect; he may believe that a hundred wives or no tives are right; he may believe in horse-tealing or whatever in likes. So long as to believes merely he has a right to his pinion; but when it comes to what he has

do in the government of the country a different thing. More than that and beyond that, it not the mere practice of polygamy, bad as it is, but that happens to be an inherent and controlling force in the most intense and anti-republican hierarchy, theocracy, as an organized and systematic government an organized and systematic government that, so far as my small reading has gone, has ever existed on the face of the earth. The Church of Latter-day Saints, a corporation organized under the authority of law, controls in every respect every step in the territorial operation of that community. The three presidents by step after step, the three first presidents, as they are called; but I believe that the last one of those is the absolute ruler in point of fact—you may discusse it and gloss it as you please—of disguise it and gloss it as you please—of the destiny and the fate of that people, polygamists. Mormons who are not polyga-mists, and Gentiles. Is that republican? Can you tolerate in the heart of this conti-nent of republies the building up of a state of that character?

### Mr. Roberts' Credentials.

An examination has been made of the estificate of election filed by Mr. Roberts that it was discovered to be technically imperfect in that it omits to assert that Mr toberts was elected in compliance with the laws of the United States and of the solution of the Roberts question House were deficient in this respect. Therefore to make a point of it would be to through the House into a state of confu-

There is a great variation in the form of pertificates filed from the several states, and many of them are subject to technical The state of Pennsylvania is probably the only one that goes into full and complete detail in making the certification of election of its representatives in the House. In the Pennsylvania certificate not a thing is omitted.

### APPEAL TO THE CITIZENS.

Prompt Subscription Urged to the Wainwright Fund.

entributions to the Wainwrigh steadily, and the total amount received is well up toward what will be necessary. The design for the sword has been lected and the sword is now being madthe regulations of the navy nor jeweled. It

ctrcular to secure the further contributions needed as speedily as possible, so that the subscription may be closed: WASHINGTON CITY, D. C.

is of the handsomest design, proposed by

To the end that the citizens of Columbia may make fitting the barbor of Havana, a psinish torpedo boats Pluton and Furor of antiago bay, on July 3, 1898, and later or adding to his laurels by his brilliant dash into the Parlier of Jeenker, Porto Rico, the who is a native-born citizen of the

patriotic sentiment of its citizens, an express our admiration for distir as you may desire to make to F. P. B. Sands, treasurer of the Wainwright festi-monial fund, in care of the Riggs National Eank, or of the American Security and and liberal response to this ap-

Charles C. Glover, chairman; Charles J. Bell, George H. Harries, F. P. B. Sands John C. Poor, secretary,

### WAS AN OLD GAME. Miller's Swindling Concern Was Simi-

lar to One Operated in Madrid. That the swindling concern in New York, conducted by Miller, was operated successfully, was not due to any lack on the part of the State Department of effort to warn the American public of the nature of such schemes. The lepartment first discovered a similar operation in Madrid, Mr. Adee. the present second assistant secretary of

state, being then United States charge at Madrid. That was as far back as 1876. when the chief topic of conversation in Madrid was the establishment of a mysterious Institution of credit by a woman named Dona Baldomera Larra, who agreed pay 20 per cent a month on deposits. ly for eighteen months, and from sman be-ginnings morey flowed in upon her until as much as \$80,000 passed into her coffers in a single day. Other similar institutions strong up in Madrid and the provinces and long tines of people besteged their doors to deposit money. Dona Baldomera played ly for eighteen months, and from small be and long lines of propagations and to deposit money. Dona Baldomera played for hand with singular shrewdness. One day it was announced that she had paid out \$00,000 on a forged deposit book. O another it was rumored that she had let Madrid. Each time there was a run fe Madrid. Each time there was a run fe to accommon; in an hour the tide turned, it is a mightfall as repayment; in an hour the tide turned, the

A full report of the rise and fall of these institutions was made to the State Depart ment by Mr. Adec and the department in turn caused the report to be given the widest publicity, with a view to preventing such things as have happened in Nev

# MANY WARRANTS FOR MILLER.

Proprietor of the Franklin Syndicate

Much-Wanted Man. NEW YORK, November 27.-Justice Hookstaver, in special term of the supreme court, today signed thirty-six warrants of attachment against Wm. F. Miller and the "Franklin Syndicate" of Brooklyn. These attachments are merely the forerunners of ever one thousand attachments, which will be applied for as soon as the papers can be prepared. The amounts in the cases in which attachments were granted range from \$10 to \$250, the total being \$4,470. The majority of the plaintiffs are women.

Judge Wilmot M. Smith of the suprem court. Brooklyn, today appointed Hubert G. Taylor, a former city treasurer of Brook-lyn, receiver for the "Franklin syndicate."

# Army Orders.

Licent, Col. Calvin De Witt, deputy surgeon general. U. S. A., has been relieved from command of the Josiah Simpson General Hospital, Fort Monroe, Va., turning ever the property for which he is responsible to Maj. Robert M. O'Reilly, surgeon, U. S. A., who will take charge of the hos-

Acting Assistant Surgeon F. H. Morhart, U. S. A., has been ordered from this city to San Francisco, for assignment to duty Capt. W. T. May, 15th Infantry, has been relieved from recruiting duty at New York city and ordered to join his company at Madison barracks, N. Y.
Lieut, Andrew Moses, recently promoted

has been assigned to Light Battery F, 3d Officers recently appointed have been as-

Officers recently appointed have been assigned to regiments as follows:
Lieut. Robert Whitfield, to the 22d Infantry; Lieut. A. J. Greer, to the 4th Infantry; Lieut. H. D. Coburn, to the 25th Infantry; and Lieut. Edwin Carroll, to the 1st Infantry. Lieuts. Whitfield and Greer are assigned to temporary duty at San Francisco. Lieut. Coburn will accompany a company of his regiment to the Philipcompany of his regiment to the Philip-olne Islands. Lieut. Carroll will join his pine Islands. Lieut. Carroll will join company at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Police Officers Accused by a Pool Room Keeper.

MAKE PROMISE FOR A CONSIDERATION

Meeting Appointed at Place on East Capitol Street.

AN ARREST PROBABLE

Maj. Sylvester received a complaint this norning which promises to be the cause of an investigation of a charge of alleged ribery on the part of one or more memers of the police force. The complainant the case is William H. Lee, colored, who alled upon Maj. Sylvester with his counel. W. Calvin Chase, and told of an aleged appointment with a member of the orce who, it was claimed, had made a romise to withdraw a prosecution for \$150, the money to be paid at 3 o'clock this afternoon at East Capitol and 11th streets.

William H. Lee is one of the prominent dored men in the District. His place is at 225 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, and extends through to No. 212 B street. He keeps a poel room and cigar store on the ground floor. For a number of years "Bill' Lee, as he is familiarly known, conducted a saloon on C street near the Baltimore and Ohio depot, and during the time when the e ective franchise was exercised his place was frequented by hundreds of politicians. One week ago last Saturday night the One week ago last Saturday night the police of the sixth precinct made a raid on the place on Pennsylvania avenue and arrested Lee on charges of keeping a disreputable house and doing an illicit liquor business. Several persons were taken from the premises and required to leave \$10 each for their appearance as United States wit-

### Jury Trial Demanded.

Attorney Chase was employed, and when the cases were called in court a jury trial was demanded in each case. The one involving the charge of keeping a bawdy house was set for trial in Judge Scott's court for tomorrow. Since the charges were preferred against Lee, Major Sylvester was told, more than one member of the force approached Lee and guaranteed a settlement of the case in the event of a crtain consideration. The claim was made that Lee arranged to meet an officer, as stated, and agreed to give him \$150 in an envelope. Ten dollars in bills, each bill marked, and a number of slips of paper estructed to hand this to the officer at the meeting on East Capitol street. The num-ber of each bill was noted, and the initials of counsel, "W. C. C." and the date, "No-

vember 27, '90," was written on each note. Twenty-five slips of paper, fifteen of them numbered and ten of them blanks, were put between the bills. The money and slips were put in a large envelope. When the deal was made, Lee said to Major Sylvester, the policeman safd he would be on hand rain or shine.

### Officer Detailed.

After listening to the complaint Major Sylvester concluded he would detail ar officer on the case to witness the meeting alleged to have been arranged and to take the action necessary under the circum

### NOT A CANDIDATE.

Admiral Dewey Hopes McKinley Will Secure a Second Term.

Admiral Dewey today again repeated his late for the presidential nomination of the United States, "President McKinley is a good friend of mine, and I hope to see him secure a second term," the admiral said. I hope my friends will not continue to talk of my being a candidate. The American people have too much sense to do anything lintyre), 9 to 5 and 3 to 5, won; so that these so- (O'Connor), 13 to 5 and even, second of that kind. It seems to be that these socalled battle heroes have, as a rule, made poor Presidents.

"President McKinley is a good friend of mine and I shall never forget those noble cheering messages that he sent me at Ma-nila. I have preserved them all and shail keep them as long as I live."

The admiral was asked about the latest news from the Philippines. He said: "I

am much pleased to see that the insurrec-tion has practically reached an end. I might have been ended a year ago had our men over there used the same vigorous measures that they are now using."

# CITY BRINGS SUIT FOR TRESPASS.

Pittsburg Seeks to Recover Money Lent to Senator Flinn.

PITTSBURG, Pa., November 27.-The trial of the suit in trespass for \$200,000 damages, brought by the city of Pittsburg against State Senator William Flinn, ex-City Attorney W. H. House, J. J. Booth and Booth & Flinn, was called before Judge J. W. F. White, president judge of common pieas court No. 2, today. The suit is based on the alleged action of ex-Assistant City Attorney House in loaning city money to Senator Flinn, and resulted from the recent discovery of the existence of canceled checks made payable to House and indorsed

to the order of Flinn. All of those interested in Urc case were present, including W. H. House, who came from the penitentiary accompanied by Warden Wright. The greater part of the morn-ing sitting was devoted to examination of papers presented by both sides. Ex-City Attorney Moreland was on the stand at ad-

# ANOTHER LIST OF KILLED.

Total List of Casualties in Naval Brigade 105.

LONDON, November 27.-The commander-in-chief at the Cape has sent the admiralty an additional list of casualties among the British naval brigade engaged at the battle of Gras Pan, as follows: Midshipman Huddart of the cruiser Doris and ten sailors and marines killed, and thirteen petty officers and seamen and seventy-six non-commissioned officers and men of the

marines wounded. Total casualties, 105. The following message has been telegraphed to the commander-in-chief at the

"The queen desires you to convey to the naval brigade who were present at the action at Gras Pan her majesty's congratu-lations on their gallant conduct, and at the same time express the queen's regret at the losses sustained by the brigade."

# A. J. WHITEMAN GOES TO JAIL.

Former Member of Minnesota Legisla ture Convicted of Forgery.

CHICAGO, November 27-Alonzo J. Whiteman, former state senator in the Minnesota legislature, and prominent in politics in that state, who disappeared after being convicted of forgery in this city, and who was recently rearrested in New York. was taken to the house of correction today to serve a sentence of two years. White-man said today that he would at once ap-peal his case to the supreme court.

### Transport Meade at Gibraltar. GIBRALTAR, November 27.-The United States transport Meade has arrived here

from New York, en route to Manila. The Meade left New York November 16, with 1,110 men of the 43d Regiment of Volunteers. PORT SAID, Egypt, November 27.—The United States army transport Thomas, from New York, November 4, for Manila, arrived

here yesterday. The Thomas carries the 47th Infantry Regiment, twenty-five young women of the United States hospital service and a large number of Christmas boxes for the soldiers in the field, among which are numerous gifts presented by the Women's Patriotic League of Brooklyn.

Succumbed to a Wound Received in Panay.

Was a Member of the District Volun teers and Served in the Cuban Campaign,

Second Lieutenant Charles M. Smith, 18th Infantry, a District boy, died at Hoile, Panay, on the morning of the 22d instant, from a gunshot wound received in action near that place. Lieutenant Smith was a son of the late John Ambler Smith, and a ephew of Charles Maurice Smith of this city. The deceased officer was born in this city, and was appointed from the Dis trict second lieutenant of the 18th Infantry July 1 last. He served at Columbus barracks Ohio, from August 16 to Septem ber 8, 1899, at the Presidio of San Francis co to October 5, 1899, on which date he ac ompanied his regiment to the Philippin Islands. He accompanied a small detachment of his regiment to Hoilo, and served there up to the time of his death. His service, while brief, was marked with gallantry, as is attested by the fact that he lost his life at the head of his men in an assault

### Served in the Cuban Campaign.

Lieut. Smith, during the war with Spain erved in the 1st District of Columbia Infantry, U. S. V., as an enlisted man in Company C, commanded by Capt. C. S Domer. He participated in the Santiage campaign, and after the return of the District regiment to this city was critically ill for several weeks, as was his brother, who

erved in the same company.

Soon after attaining his majority the coung man whose death is reported today received an appointment as second lieuten ant in the regular army. In the examina-tion he was required to undergo at For-Monroe he made a better showing, so it is stated, than was ever before recorded in the case of a civil appointee, his general average being 98.9 per cent, with 100 per cent in mathematics. Lieut. Smith left Washington the latter part of August for the Philippines.

For about seven years prior to his war service Lieut. Smith was in the employ of he Southern Railway Company in this city, going to work immediately after the death of his father, which occurred in 1892. His mother died about one year ago, she passing away just as her two sons were onvalescing from the illness contracted in

### Relatives in the City.

Lieut. Smith's brother, to whom he was devotedly attached, is now with the South ern Railway Company. He has a sister, Mrs. C M. Towson, who resides on Riggs street between 13th and 14th streets.

Mr. Charles Maurice Smith, uncle of Lieut. Smith, was deeply shocked when ottified by a Star reporter this afternoon of the death of the young officer. He was just about to begin the writing of a letter his far-away nephew when told that the atter was dead. Mr. Smith feared he sad news would have a serious effect ing with heart trouble, resulting from the

# STRANGEST WINS FIRST RACE.

Fair Attendance and Good Weather at Benning Track. pecial Disputch to The Evening Star.

RACE TRACK, BENNING, D.C., Novem er 27.-A reduced attendance was at the denning track this afternoon, the foureenth day of the autumn meeting of the Washington Jockey Club. Still, the crowd was quite large, the beautiful weather rather than the card being responsible. The track was in good shape and speculation was again active.

At post time, first race, Claroba, Camotopa, Emile Zola and Primavera had been scratched, Ree Mitchell and Brahmin being added; Lofter in the second; Robert Metcalf. St. Lorenzo, Strangest, Domineer, Havelock and Randy in the third, Glon-oine, Charagrace, Sweet Caporal and Mau-rice being added, and Swamp Angel in the fifth

First race, seven furlongs-Strangest (Mc- IN A STATE OF WAR Terry (Dangman), 60 and 15 to 1, third.

# Entries for Tomorrow.

First race, handicap, for three-year-olds and up, six furlongs-Water Crest, 103 Sparrow Wing, 106; Tabouret, 107; L'Alouette, 114; Lady Lindsey, 115; Mechanus, 115; Effect of the Notice-Right to Sell Judge Wardell, 116; Buffoon, 118; Rare Perfume, 119; The Pride, 119; Belle of Memphis, 121.

Second race, maiden fillies, two years old, five furiongs—Carasaljo, 100; Liebe, 100; Good Morrow, 100; Vlturia, 100; Jamaica, 100; Summer Girl, 100; River Princess, 100; Elsie Skip, 100; Jugglery, 100.

Third race, steeplechase, selling, two and one-half miles-Plato, 132; The Monon, 144;

Beckey Rolfe, 145; Gov. Budd, 148; Phoebus 48; \*Charagrace, 149; Bevel, 152; \*Sibley, \*Coupled as Beard's entry.

Fourth race, for two-year-olds, six fur-ongs-Golden Rattle, 105; Revonah, 105; Albonita, 105; Fleuron, 105; All Gold, 108; The Corinthian, 108; Robert Metcalf, 108. Fifth race, for three-year-olds and up, mile and a sixteenth—Holdup, 97; Althea, 97; Golden Link, 100; Bangor, 100; Bondman, 100; Alvarado H, 101; Uncle Louis, man, 100, Alvarian, 107, 104; Buffoon, 104; St. Simonian, 107,

# GOLD STANDARD AND EXPORTS.

Japan Investigating the Effects of Its New Policy.

Consul Lyon of Hiogo, Japan, under date of October 9, sends to the State Department an extract from the Kobe Herald, an English journal published at that port, setting forth the view taken by the Japanese consul in New York in regard to the effect of Japan's gold standard on trade with America. The extract reads:

"The following is the substance of replies received by the Nagoya chamber of the sale of supplies to either of the parties commerce the other day from the Japanese consul in New York, of whom the local chamber made inquiries some time ago with regard to the business conditions pre-vailing between New York and Japan since the adoption of the gold monetary system

in this country:
"Inquiry from the chamber—'Has there been any feeling on the New York market against our country on account of its adop-tion of the gold standard?

"Answer—The export trade from New York to Japan is showing signs of develop-ment year after year, and these signs were especially marked last year. Though such advance of trade is not wholly attributable advance of trade is not wholly attributable to the adoption of the gold system at home, yet it is noticeable that the export merchants at New York are greatly benefited in the transaction of business, for there has been no serious change on one side or the other since Japan adopted the gold expran.

system. "Inquiry-'Did the adoption of the gold standard in Japan tell disadvantageously upon export business from Japan to New

"Answer-'No; not at all. Owing to the Answer—No; not at all. Owing to the stoppage of fluctuation in exchange, all the prinicpal articles of merchandise, such as raw silk, tea, etc., entering New York from Japan are maintaining a most advantageous position in the field of competition against the products coming from

# Naval Orders.

The promotion of the following named officers was announced today at the Navy larly the Crimean and the Franco-Prussian Department: To the grade of commander, N. E. Mason and W. H. Beehler; to the grade of captain, R. E. Impey and E. W. Watson; to be pay inspector, L. G. Boggs. Paymaster Z. W. Reynolds has been de- from their friends. tached from the Charleston and assigned to

tached from the Charleston and assigned to duty as pay officer of the Marine Battalion at Cavite. He relieves Assistant Paymaster J. R. Sanford, who is ordered to the Isla de Luzon.

Assistant Paymaster G. R. Venable to additional duty at Pensacola navy yard.

Pay Director A. Burtis to duty in charge of the naval pay office at Boston, relieving Pay Director E. May, who is ordered home to settle accounts and await orders.

Acts of personal cruelty are not charged, but it is made plain that the Boers do not extend the facilities which are universally recognized among civilized nations. As the United States consul at Pretoria, Mr. Macrum, had been charged with the protection of British interests among the Boers, the refusal of the Boer authorities to allow letters or funds to be transmitted was first made known to him.

The British representations followed, and Pay Director E. May, who is ordered home to settle accounts and await orders.
Acting Warrant Machinist G. O. Little-field, from the Machinist to the Dixle.
Gunner J. Shannon, from the navy yard, New York, to the Norfolk navy yard, Assistant Gunner D. Hepburn, from the navy yard, Norfolk, te the Monongahela.

Kate Jackson Reaten to Death by a Male Mazet Committee Investigating Companion.

> The Accused Man Arrested and Now Behind the Bars at Third Precinct Station.

Kate Jackson, a colored woman, residing at 410 19th street northwest, was murdered shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon by a colored man named William Ashton. The victim was beaten to death with some blunt instrument, which the police had not found

up to the time this report closed. The crime occurred in the second story of the small frame house occupied by the

woman. The two had been drinking beer together and then fell to quarreling. James P. Loveday, living next door, heard screams and the blows which the murdere

gave his victim. He gave an alarm as Ashton went out of the house. Officer Phil Brown of the third precinct was notified, and, seizing a by-stander's wheel, pursued Ashton, who meantime had gone to the third precinct station and gave himself up. The patrol wagon was then sent for the body.

When Ashton went into the station he asked for the lieutenant, and said he

wanted to be locked up.

The woman was frightfully beaten about the head, and was dead when found.

### stenographers' report exceeds 2,000,000 GRIEVANCES OF SURGEONS. Claim That Government's Promises

Have Not Been Kept. \$1 a page-probably \$10,000 in all-and then there has to be reckoned the wages of Mr. Moss' large staff, their expenses in practical investigation of pool rooms, gambling houses and the like, and the fees of counsel, Mr. Moss, John Proctor, clerks and acting assistant surgeons of th United States army who served during the war with Spain, many of whom are still in the army, have been invited to attend a mass meeting to be held in New York city on the 5th proximo, for the purpose of ef fecting an organization and obtaining legis-Counsel were today, as usual, reticent lation from Congress fixing their lega about the work in contemplation. The

status as officers of the army. It is claimed that the burden of the medibuilding, tax and police departments, and cal and surgical work of the Spanish war was borne by the nearly 1,000 acting assistant surgeons of the army, who, though chiefly young and inexperienced, were usually competent, devoted and brave, dealng often and successfully with new forms of disaase and important sanitary problems; ometimes dying on the firing line, often o frequently exposed, overworked and ill-fed; having only the shadow of and authority, and, while poorly paid, de-prived of part of their stipulated compensa-tion by the rulings of treasury officials. In the circulars just sent out it is state

that, in accordance with an agreement made at the time of their enlistment, the acting assistant surgeons were to have re-ceived the rank and pay of first lieutenants on the staff when mustered out, but that his has never been accorded to them, and their legal status as officers in the army has, in consequence, been left undeter-mined. It will also be requested that each late acting assistant surgeon receive preference for appointment over those who have not had previous service in the medical corps of the army or navy or the marine hespital corps.

### DESTRUCTION OF THE MAINE. No Advices Confirming the Press Re-

The proceedings were begun by an examport From Havana. nation of mill and factory owners with ref-No advices have been received at the erence to the smoke nuisance, and a half Navy Department confirming the press reexen witnesses Werd questioned as to their relations with the board of health in the matter of abating the nuisance. Mr. Moss

port from Havana to the effect that it has the navy, captain of the port of Havana, that the battle ship Maine was destroyed by gun cotton, either stolen or otherwise obtained from the Spanish magazine at Havana. In case Licut, Young has any information that will thrown additional light upon the mystery as to responsibility for the destruction of the Maine it is said at shown that when the smoke complained of had been abated whether by the introduc-tion of an apparatus advertised by cirthe department that it would be his duty to promptly notify the authorities at Wash-ington, but, as already stated, nothing has been heard from him on the subject.

### COULD KEEP OUT THE ENEMY. Satisfactory Condition of Fortifica-

tions on Western Harbors. Maj. Gen. Miles, commanding the army, has returned to Washington after a tour of inspection which included the military posts and fortifications on the Pacific coast and Gulf of Mexico. The general says he had not been on the Pacific coast for three years, and he found that the work had progressed in a most satisfactory manner. He visited the forts on Puget sound at the mouth of the Columbia river, San Francisco and southern California, at Galveston, the mouth of the Mississippi river and at Atlanta, Ga. Gen. Miles says that since the beginning of the Spanish war the work on national defenses has progressed more rapidly than ever before. The use of money from the emergency appropriation and the other large appropriations recently made by Congress has had the effect of pushing the work. Although the fortifications are not yet entirely complete, the general expresses the opinion that no hos war vessel could enter any of the forti-

### fied harbors. CANDIDATE OF THE MINORITY.

Considerable Interest in the Fight Over Speakership Nomination. The minority of the House of Representatives are in a great mix-up over the se-

ection of their candidate for the speakership. Mr. Richardson is here with rooms at the Metropolitan. De Armond at the Varnum, Bankhead at the Riggs and Sulzer at Chamberlin's, all active, avowed candidates for the honorary nomination. The friends of each are making an active canvass and as much interest is manifested among democrats as if the honor sought

were not altogether empty.
Further complications are introduced into the contest by the fact that some of Mr. Balley's friends insist that they intend to vote for him in spite of his declaration that he will not consent to be a candidate, and by the fact that the name of Mr. Lanham of Texas has been suggested as a darkhorse candidate. The expectation is that their caucus will be held Saturday morn-ing, unless the republicans occupy the hall of the House for a Roberts caucus at that time, in which event they will meet Friday

### Georgetown Game Thursday. Georgetown will play the Baltimore Med-

ical College foot ball team on Thanksgiving. After having arranged all details for a game with Washington and Lee the fallowing telegram was received Saturday: "We have a satisfactory game arranged with Blackbury for Thanksgiving. Will conbine with them and play you on

Thanksgiving for \$500 or option of 50 per cent of the net gate receipts." The Georgetown management was not a little surprised to receive this telegram after everything had been already satis-factorily settled about the Thanksgiving game with Washington and Lee University. Georgetown knew nothing about the Blacksbury players who were to combine against her; nor did she like the idea of the Washington and Lee either arranging a game with her, when they already had a game arranged with the Blacksbury team, or arranging it with Blacksbury after having agreed to play Georgetown on the sam-

ted representations as to the treatment of British prisoners theid by the Boers. The Moreover, the demand for \$500, or option of 50 per cent of net gate receipts, after having agreed to accept 35 per cent, or \$150, did not make a favorable impression. Hence, all trings considered, the George-town management thought it better to drop the Washington and Lee team and secura game with some other team

### Mrs. H. H. McCormick Dead CHICAGO, November 27 .- Mrs. Henrietta

Hamilton McCormick, a pioneer resident of Chicago, and the wife of Leander J. Mc-Cormick, one of the founders of the Mc-Cormick reaper works, died last night of cerebral apoplexy, aged seventy-seven years. She was born in Rockbridge county, Va., May 25, 1822. On her father's side she traced her lineage to Robert, Earl of Leicester, brother of William the Confirst made known to him.

The British representations followed, and about the same time the State Department gave explicit directions to Mr. Macrum to see that every consideration of protection and comfort established by international usage be given to the prisoners indirectly under his care. queror, one of whose descendants mai Isabella, a daughter of Robert Bruce. dants married

Gen. Grant of Wisconsin, formerly assist ant secretary of war, is in the city.

# BRIBERY ALLEGED LIEUTENANT SMITH'S DEATH THE SMOKENUISANCE MURDER OF A WOMAN FINANCE AND TRADE

Stock List Was Irregular Under Pronounced Manipulation.

# BETTER TONE NOTED IN LONDON

High-Priced Issues Bid Up to Cover Selling.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, November 27.-The restora-

tion of the surplus reserve to about \$6,500,-000 and reported British successes in South Africa and the Soudan were responsible for decided improvement in early prices this morning. Subsequent developments tended to substantiate the belief that London's improvement was due to professional manipulation from this side. Advances in the foreign market extended from 1/4 per cent in the Pacific stocks to over 4 per cent in Pennsylvania.

New York Central was opened up as high as possible, and the strength in two such leading investment issues served to cloak the heavy realizing sales elsewhere. Baltimore and Ohio, for example, was of-

fered down somewhat sharply notwithstanding rumors of a plan for unifying its stock issues. The later official denial of the pian fell flat, since the leaders themselves knew of the difficulties in the way of the project, which had served to assist the speculation in the stock.

The believers in lower prices were convinced that the high-priced investment issues were bid up for the sole purpose of covering heavy selling elsewhere. On the other hand the interest committed to higher prices saw in the erratic action of Leather common unmistakable evidences of disapproval on the part of the millionaire clique with the commission house ef-

fort to advance prices.

The failure to settle the gas war is said to be the motive for the desire to halt the advance. The common stock of the Leather Company, the speculative foot ball of the present market, was opened at 2014, and almost immediately dropped to 14 under very liberal offerings. This abrupt decline unsettled the entire

This abrupt decline unsettled the entire market, and the early gains were substantially cut down during the last half of the first hour. Toward noon prices became less irregular, but the demand was almost wholly in specialties. London sold probably 20,000 shares on balance and gulte as much short stock was put out by the room. Opinion on the immediate course of prices is very much mixed in consequence of the s very much mixed in consequence of the strength demonstrated by the selling party. The iron and steel shares were strong under a good inside demand based on earnings and the prospects for handsome dividends early in the coming year. Semi-official statements of earnings clearly warrant this confidence. The Addyston decision while generally thought to apply to an almost extinct form of industrial consolidation, serves to keep the more conservative element out of the industrial properties.

An advance of 24s per cent in the stock nder a good inside demand based on earn-An advance of 2½ per cent in the stock ? Peoria, Decatur and Evansville was one f the features of the day. This stock has had a range of prices varying from \$1 to \$5 per share since the 1st of January. To-day the price made a new record, selling up to 6, as compared with a closing offering of 3½ on Friday.

Several reorganization committees have been trying to rehabilitate the preserve.

peen trying to rehabilitate the property, out with little practical success. One of but with little practical success. One of the local trust companies, said to be rep-resenting the second mortgage bondhold-ers and the Illinois Central railroad, has a plan which makes no provision at all for the old stock. This plan was consider-ed to be the most likely of them all had for the oid stock. This plan was considered to be the most likely of them all, but today's demand for the stock would seem to indicate an opposition plan. One firm was credited with purchases of over 25,000

hares at the advance.

Taken as a whole, today's market was one of the least satisfactory in many weeks and showed certain signs of a contest between the two accounts.

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. New York Stock Market.

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# Baltimore Markets.

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U. S. Rubber, pfd.....

Baltimore Markets.

Bal.TIMORE. November 27.—Flour dull: western super, \$2.25a82.35; do. extra \$2.46a\$2.90; do. family, \$3.20a\$3.50; winter wheat patent, \$3.65a\$3.85; spring whear patent, \$3.75a\$4; spring whear patent, \$3.75a\$4; spring whear patent, \$3.75a\$4; spring whear patent, \$3.75a\$4; spring whear straight, \$3.45a\$3.60; receipts, 42,221 barrels; exports, 21,929 barrels. Wheat very dull; spot, the month and December, \$6.4a\$6.5½; receipts, 19,974 bushels; exports, none; southern by sample, 65a71; do. on grade, 66½a70. Corn dull and easier; mixed, spot and the month, 38½a38½; December, 38a85½; November or December, new or old, 37½a37½; January, 37a37½; February, 37½a37½; steamer mixed, 56½a366½; receipts, 346,921 bushels; exports, 725,295 bushels; southern white corn, 34a38¼, do. yellow, 34a38¼, Oats steady; No. 2 white, 32a32½; No. 2 mixed, 20a20½, Rye nominal; No. 2 nearby, 54a55; No. 2 western, 59a60. Hay dull; No. 1 timothy, \$14.50a\$15. Grain freights very dull, scarcely any demand; steam to Liverpool, per bushel; 3d. December; Cork for orders, per quarter, 3s. 3d. December, Chees steady; large, 13a13¾; medium, 13½a13½; smail, 13½a13½. Butter firm; fancy creamery, 27a28; do. mintation, 19a20; do. ladie, 17a18; good ladie, 16. store-packed, 15a17; rolls, 16a18. Sugar strong; coarse and fine granulated, 5.39. Eggs firm; fresh, 21a22.

# Washington Stock Exchange.

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Sales—regular call, 12 o'clock m.—U. S. 4s, registered, \$500 at 113\(\frac{1}{3}\). Columbia Railroad 5s, \$1,000 at 111\(\frac{1}{3}\), \$1,000 at 117. Washington Loan and Trust, 5 at 172, 10 at 172, 10 at 172, 10 at 171. Potomac Fire Insurance, 1 at 82. Columbia Fire Insurance, 86 at 13\(\frac{3}{3}\), \$20 at 93\(\frac{3}{3}\), \$20 at 93\(\frac{3}{3}\), \$20 at 93\(\frac{3}{3}\), \$20 at 93\(\frac{3}{3}\), \$5 at 193\(\frac{3}{3}\), \$20 at 93\(\frac{3}{3}\), \$5 at 193\(\frac{3}{3}\), at 210\(\frac{3}{3}\), 10 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 50 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 30 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 50 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 30 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 30 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100 at 13\(\frac{3}{3}\), After call—American Graphophone, 2 at 13. Riggs Fire Insurance, 100 at 2\(\frac{3}{3}\), 20 reads, 100 at 15\(\frac{3}{3}\), 100

Washington Market Co. extn. 6s, 114 bid. Masante Hall Association 5s, 100 bid. American Grapho-phone deb, 5s, 100 bid.

National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington, 350 bid, 380 asked. Metropolitan, 515 bid, 540 asked. Central, 170 bid. Farmers and Mechanics', 210 bid, Second, 155 bid. Citinens', 190 bid, 190 asked. Combin, 190 bid. Capital, 134 bid. West End, 1189, bid, 122 asked. Tenders', 120 bid. Lincoln, 120 bid, 125 asked.

Grain, Provisions and Cotton Markets. Furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co., bankers and brokers, 1419 F st., members New York

stock exchange, correspondents Measrs. La denburg. Thalmann & Co., New York. CHICAGO, November 27.-Grain: Open, High, Low, 65%, 65%, 65%, 69%, 70%, 60%, 31%, 21%, 32%, 32%, 32%, 32%, 22%, 22%, 22%, 22%, 22%, 22%, 237 22 or 27. Prorisa Open. High. 8.15 8.10 47 9.52 90 4.35 4 4.87 4.8 4.97 5 CHICAGO, Nove Pork-Dec.... Lard-Dec. NEW YORK, No. High. 7.55 7.60 7.68 7.68

Government Bonds

cents, coupon, 1908-1928, cents, registered, 1907, cents, coupon, 1907, cents, registered, 1925, cents, registered, 1925, NEW TRUST COMPANY.

Some Details About the Proposed Addition to Local Business. The plans of those who are back of the

proposed new enterprise, the Union Trust and Storage Company, have not been delinitely announced, and it is stated that the details will not be finally determined unti after the organization of the company which is expected to take place the middle of next month. It is thought the new concern will be ready for business within staty days after the organization. It is stated that the capital will be \$1,200,000, and it is to be fully paid up, as required by the law of 1890 under which the company is to be organized. It is not known who will be the officers, but Mr. Edward J. Stellwagen. who is a moving spirit in the enterprise, is spoken of as likely to be placed at the head It is stated to be the intention of the company to develop two new lines of bus-iness—the warehouse and elevator business—and in addition the usual trust and banking features permitted by the which is the same as the other trust companies of the city are doing business ur der, will be vigorously pushed. It is said ing goods of various kinds can be brough at once under shelter and stored until the owners wish to remove them. Warehouse eccipts are to be issued

It is thought the business of the city has grown to such an extent that facilities of this sort are needed, and that additional business along the same lines will be

Divorce Granted. Milton Gray, by decree signed this afternoon by Justice Barnard, in Equity Court

No. 2, was granted a divorce from Jane Gray by reason of desertion on the part of the latter. Alleged Grave Robbery. The entire session of Criminal Court No. 1 today was occupied with the trial of John

ago for robbing a grave. The offense is al-

### leged to have occurred March 3, 1896. The defense is based mainly on the statute of limitations.

Col. Geo. R. Davis Dead. Col. George R. Davis, who was director general of the world's fair, died at his home in Chicago Saturday night of heart

# Photographic Exhibit.

Miss Frances Benjamin Johnston's success in making the photographic exhibit of the Washington public schools for the Paris exposition, now attracting so much attention at Veerhoff's, has led to her being engaged to prepare a similar exhibit for the Hampton Institute, which will also be sent to Paris. Miss Johnston is now a the institute where she will remain sevsent to Paris. Miss Johnston is now a eral weeks.

Philosophical Inquiry. The next meeting of the Society for Philosophical Inquiry, according to present arrangements, will be held at Columbian University, Tuesday, November 28, and the principal feature will be a paper by rrof. William H. Seaman on "The Atomic The-ory From a Chemist's Point of View."

# Suit for \$15,000 Damages.

Suit at law to recover damages in the sum of \$15,000 was instituted this after noon by William J. Collins, through Attorney Tracy L. Jeffords, against the Moulton-Starrett Company. It is stated that August 25 last the plaintiff, being in the employ of the defendant and working on the Hearst School building, was thrown from the wall of the third story of the building to the ground, sustaining severe and permanent injuries. He seeks to hold the defendant responsible in the sum named

Justice White's Condition Improves. Associate Justice White is much better this afternoon. He suffered an attack of grip last Saturday, and became quite ill. He is still confined to his bed, but it is ex-

pected he will be up in a few days Club Incorporated. Articles of incorporation of the American

Court Club of the District of Columbia were this afternoon placed on record. The incorporators are George Thomas, George T. Diggs and J. R. Smith.

Pensions were granted today to the following residents of the District of Columbia: George Fountain, increase, \$8 to \$12; Geo. W. Narrington, \$19; Patrick Holmes. S6; Geo. M. Shafer, increase, 86 to \$10; James Crozier, increase, 88 to \$10; Char-lotte Fountsin, 88; Lawrence Grebing, \$17 (war with pain); Peter A. Hagan, in-crease, 88 to \$10; Georgeanna Mahorney, \$8.

### Cattle Show in Pittsburg. PITTSBURG, Pa., November 27 .- The first cattle show in the history of the East

Liberty stock yards opened yesterday and

was concluded at noon today by the award-

of the prizes. The attendance was and experts declare the display un-

usually fine. Suit Against B. C. Faurot. LIMA, Ohio, November 27.-The Woodland Avenue Savings Association of Cleveland has brought foreclosure suit against

Benjamin C. Faurot, for \$825,000 and in terest from 1893. The amount is covered by mortgages on the electric light plant, Faurot Opera House and large real estate interests. J. W. G. Cowles of Clevaland was appointed receiver for rents and profits. Faurot was formerly one of the wealth-lest men in this part of the state, but unfortunate business ventures dissipated his fortuna.

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bid. 122 asked. Traders', 120 bid. Lincoln. 120 bid. 125 asked.

Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe Deposit and Trust, 132 bid. 135 asked. Washington Loan and Trust, 168 bid. 171 asked. American Security and Trust, 196 bid. 171 asked. American Security and Trust, 196 bid. Washington Safe Deposit, 60 bid.

Insurance Stocks.—Fremen's, 41 asked. Franklin. 45 bid. 50 asked. Metropolitan, 80 bid. Corcornin. 60 bid. Potomac, 80 bid. 81 asked. Arlington. 158 bid. 1644; asked. German American. 210 bid. National Union, 125 bid. 315 asked. Columbia. 132, bid. 144; asked. Riggs. 8% bid. 9 asked. People's, 6% bid. 7% asked. Commercial. 445 bid. 5 asked. Title Insurance Stocks.—Real Festate Title, 85 bid. 100 asked. Columbia Title, 54 bid. 55 asked. District Title, 35 bid. 38 asked.

Railroad Stocks.—Capital Traction, 93% bid. 93% asked. City and Subarban. 254; bid. Georgetown and Tenleytown, 18 bid.

Gas and Electric Light Stocks.—Washington Gas. 56% bid. 56% asked. Georgetown Gas. 52 bid. Telaphone Stocks.—Chesapeake and Potomac, 71 asked. Penmytynafa, 40 bid.

Miscellaneous Stocks.—Mergenthalar Linotype. 209% bid. 209% asked. Lanston Monotype. 150 bid. 209% asked. 150 bid. 2007 asked. This bid. 2007 asked. This bid. 2007 asked. This 2007 bid. 2007 asked.

Miscellinacous Stocks.—Mergenthaler Linote 2093, bid, 2093, asked. Lauston Monotype, 154, 1 155, asked. American Graphophone, 13 bid, 1 asked. American Graphophone preferred, 134, 1 135, asked. Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 23 bid, asked. Washington Market, 13 bid, 15 asked. N folk and Washington Steamboat, 120 bid. Lines Hall, 61 bid.